

## Economic Overview - Manufacturing - Employment Growth

In 1996, manufacturing accounted for 18.6 percent of El Paso's total employment, well above state average of 12 percent. Since then, this major component of the El Paso job base has been in decline. While the decrease in manufacturing has been significant, the industry still accounts for 13.6 percent of El Paso's workforce. Several factors, including NAFTA and the maquiladora industry, have contributed to a shift in the nature of the manufacturing industry in El Paso.

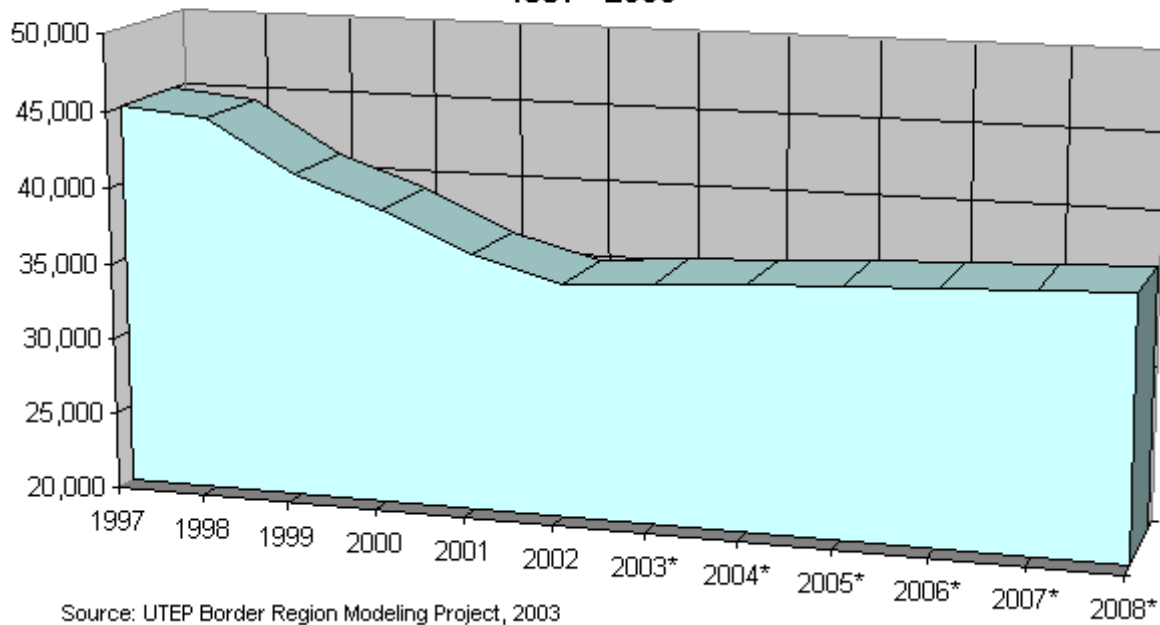
### Employment Growth

The manufacturing sector accounted for 13 percent of the El Paso Metropolitan Statistical Area work force, with 32,200 employees in June 2001. Since June 1996, employment in manufacturing has decreased significantly. However, modest increases are expected by 2004. In essence, the focus of El Paso's manufacturing industry has been adjusting to account for NAFTA-related job losses.

Employer	Type of Manufacturer	Number of Employees
1. Elcom, Inc. (Division of Yazaki, N.A.)	Injection Molding	1,000
2. The Hoover Company	Vacuum Cleaners	837
3. Eureka	Vacuum Cleaners	735
4. Phelps Dodge Mining Company	Refining/Rod Mill/Wire	478
5. Jones Apparel of Texas, Ltd.	Clothing	467
6. Toro Co.	Sprinklers	458
7. Allegiance Healthcare Corp.	Disposable Garments	405
8. VF Jeanswear (Wrangler, Lee Cos.)	Clothing	396
9. Tony Lama	Boots	295
10. International Garment Processors	Industrial Laundry	278

Source: City of El Paso, Department of Economic Development, June 2003.

# **El Paso MSA Manufacturing Sector Employment Growth and Projections 1997 - 2008**



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	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003*	2004*	2005*	2006*	2007*	2008*
<b>Total Employment</b>	45,009	44,556	41,148	39,219	36,614	35,129	35,542	35,824	36,105	36,387	36,668	36,833